GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:529
ANSWERED ON:11.05.2007
FOREIGN ASSISTANCE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT IN URBAN SLUMS
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Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of on-going projects to improve environment in the urban slum settlements with the foreign assistance ;

(b) the dates on which these projects have been launched;

(c) the details of the projects on which the actual work is yet to begin; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to use foreign assistance for overall environmental development in urban slums throughout the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA)

(a)to(d): A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha
STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 529 FOR 11.5.2007 REGARDING FOREIGN ASSISTANCE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT IN URBAN SLUMS

(a)to(c): Projects to improve urban slums with foreign assistance in the form of grants are undertaken as part of broad sectoral programmes in the spheres of land assembly and development, water supply, transport, sanitation and sewerage, drainage and provision of basic services to the urban poor. The relevant details are enclosed as Annexure-I.

(d): Critical steps taken by the Government for utilizing foreign assistance for overall environmental development of slums throughout the country are given below:

Integrating funds available under externally aided projects with the budgets of State and Central Governments;

Periodic review of project implementation by the executing agencies; and

Setting up of a Project Management Unit in the Department of Economic Affairs.

ANNEXURE-I RELATING TO DETAILS OF SECTORAL PROJECTS (GRANTS)

As on 31.3.2007 (Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Grant	Description with sanctioning date	Amount of Grant sanctioned
		Asian Development Bank (ADB)	
1	0005-IND	Asian Tsunami Fund Grant dt.12.5.2005	435.599

TOTAL : 435.599

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

2 00044242 Capacity Bldg. for Decentralized Urban Governance dt 01/08/2005 12.988

3 IND/03/033 National Strategy for Urban- Poor dt 14/10/2003 22.356

TOTAL : 35.344

United Kingdom

4 UKGG017 Andhra Pradesh Urban Services Improvement for Poor dt 03/06/1999 539.221

5 UKGG047 Kolkata Urban Services for the Poor Programme dt 31/12/2003 754.059

6 UKGG063 Madhya Pradesh Urban Services for Poor Prog Gt 2006 dt 10/11/2006 309.228

TOTAL : 1602.508

Germany

7 AL-9765553 2323038E HDFC-III (Low Cost Housing) dt 25/09/1998 72.051

TOTAL : 72.051

Recently sanctioned project where pre-implementation modalities are underway.